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MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT: Practices of Other Federal Agencies on Furnishing Escorts from Overseas to the United States for Deceased Personnel.

1. Pursuant to your request, I have had a quick survey made with other Federal agencies employing personnel overseas, with the following results:

a. Department of Defense - The Department of Defense has a uniform policy on this matter. Escorts are provided for deceased active duty military personnel from the port of entry to the final destination in the United States. In certain exceptional cases, for example, a case in which a brother is also in the same theater, an escort may also be provided from the overseas post to the port of entry. Although the Department of the Air Force has in the past furnished escorts for civilian personnel in the same manner as military, the entire Department of Defense now has a uniform policy against providing escorts for civilians. It was also learned that Defense has legislation pending which would clarify their authority to provide escorts.

b. Foreign Operations Administration - A representative of the FOA indicated that they would not pay for escorts.

c. Department of State - Escorts are not provided for deceased Foreign Service personnel.

2. If we can be of any further assistance in this matter, do not hesitate to call.



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